County Council Meeting
Beaufort County, SC

Beaufort County Sheriff's Office Headquarters, 2nd Floor, 1501 Bay Street, Beaufort, SC 29901

Monday, May 12, 2025
6:00 PM

AGENDA

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ALICE HOWARD, CHAIR
ANNA MARIA TABERNIK, VICE CHAIR
DAVID P. BARTHOLOMEW
PAULA BROWN
LOGAN CUNNINGHAM
GERALD DAWSON
YORK GLOVER
MARK LAWSON
LAWRENCE MCELYNN
JOSEPH PASSIMENT
THOMAS REITZ

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION- *Council Member Thomas Reitz*
3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH FOIA
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *March 18, 2025 County Council Workshop; and April 28, 2025 Caucus & County Council*
6. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
7. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING WEEK OF MAY 18TH-24TH AS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK. - *Council Member David Bartholomew*
8. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING WEEK OF MAY 18TH-24TH AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK -*Council Member Thomas Reitz*
9. **CITIZEN COMMENTS PERIOD – 30 MINUTES TOTAL**
10. LIASION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
11. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
12. DISCUSSION OF A REQUEST FROM THE COASTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CCDC) FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM BEAUFORT COUNTY TO SUPPORT THEIR APPLICATION TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSING TRUST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RELATED TO A PROPOSED PROJECT TO CONSTRUCT WORKFORCE HOUSING IN NORTHERN BEAUFORT COUNTY NEAR LAUREL BAY - *Claude Hicks & David Wetmore*

ORDINANCES FOR THIRD READING:

13. **2025/20** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BEAUFORT COUNTY'S BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 (ORDINANCE NO. 2024/25) TO AMEND SECTION III COUNTY OPERATIONS REVENUE, PARAGRAPH B. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND; AND SECTION IV. COUNTY OPERATIONS APPROPRIATION, PARAGRAPH B. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND ADD APPENDIX A AND APPENDIX B TO THE FY 2025 BUDGET

The Vote at First Reading on April 14, 2025 - 10:0

The Vote at Second Reading and Public Hearing on April 28, 2025- 9:0

14. **2025/21** AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE 2021/24, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING ENTERPRISE SYSTEM.

The Vote at First Reading on April 14, 2025- 10:0

The Vote at Second Reading and Public Hearing on April 28, 2025- 9:0

15. **2025/22** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ABANDONMENT OF A DRAINAGE EASEMENT TMS R510 007 000 0116 0000.

The Vote at First Reading on April 14, 2025- 10:0

The Vote at Second Reading and Public Hearing on April 28, 2025 - 9:0

16. **2025/23** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ABANDONMENT OF AN EASEMENT ENCUMBERING PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS TMS NO. R300 035 00A 0004 0000 AND R300 035 00A 0005 0000.

The Vote at First Reading on April 14, 2025- 10:0

The Vote at Second Reading and Public Hearing on April 28, 2025- 9:0

ORDINANCES FOR 2nd READING:

17. **2025/24** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF TAX MAP SERIAL NUMBERS TMS R600 007 000 001A 0000, R600 007 000 0005 0000, R600 007 000 0006 0000, R600 007 000 0007 0000, R600 007 000 0008 0000, R600 007 000 0009 0000, R600 007 000 0010 0000, AND R600 007 000 0011 0000, ALSO KNOWN AS NORTH WIDGEON FEE

Vote at First Reading and Public Hearing on April 28, 2025- 9:0

18. **2025/25** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PERMANENT UTILITY EASEMENT FOR A PORTION OF RIGHT OF WAY OWNED BY BEAUFORT COUNTY KNOWN AS PALMETTO BLUFF ROAD LOCATED IN BLUFFTON TOWNSHIP. **(PUBLIC HEARING)**

The Vote at First Reading on April 28, 2025- 9:0

ORDINANCES FOR 1st READING:

19. **2025/26:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF RIGHT OF WAY AND/OR TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT PROPERTIES AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT "A" PAGES 1-8 FOR BIG ESTATE ROAD, MIDDLE ROAD, AND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DRIVE SIDEWALK PROJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SIDEWALKS AND MULT-USE PATHWAYS-- SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PROJECTS AND EXHIBIT "A" PAGES 9-11 FOR LADY'S ISLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL ACCESS ROAD PROJECT ASSOCIATED WITH THE LADY'S ISLAND CORRIDOR TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. **(PUBLIC HEARING)**

20. **2025/27:** AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE STATE A-TAX FUNDS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE STATE A-TAX FUNDS COMMITTEE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS **(PUBLIC HEARING)**

Vote at Finance, Administration, and Economic Development Committee on April 21, 2025- 7/1

21. **2025/28:** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BEAUFORT COUNTY'S BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 (ORDINANCE NO. 2024/25) TO CORRECTLY REFLECT THE FUND 4000 CIP BUDGET **(PUBLIC HEARING)**

22. **2025/29:** AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS FOR BEAUFORT COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; TO LEVY TAXES FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; TO ADOPT SERVICE AND USER FEES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF SAID TAXES AND OTHER REVENUES COMING INTO THE COUNTY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

RESOLUTIONS

23. **2022/22:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE BEAUFORT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR USE OF COUNTY SWIMMING POOLS

24. **2025/23:** RESOLUTION UPDATING THE BEAUFORT COUNTY FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) POLICY

25. **2025/24** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FROM THE BEAUFORT COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO PURCHASE 117- ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 60 JOHN MEEKS ROAD, SEABROOK, SOUTH CAROLINA, (LOBECO) WITH TAX MAP NUMBERS R700 037 000 0181 0000, R700 037 000 0182 0000, R700 037 000 0183 0000, R700 037 000 0184 0000, R700 037 000 0185 0000 AND R700 037 000 0186 0000

26. ADJOURNMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

Items Originating from the Finance, Administration, and Economic Development Committee

1. PURCHASE OF AN UPGRADE TO THE EXISTING CISCO PHONE SYSTEM- CISCO WEBEX CLOUD-BASED CALLING
2. APPROVAL OF A REQUEST TO PURCHASE (2) TYPE 1 AMBULANCES.
3. REAPPOINTMENT OF RICHARD STEWART TO THE ACCOMMODATIONS TAX (2% STATE) BOARD FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM WITH THE EXPIRATION DATE OF FEBRUARY 2029.
4. REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVID NELEMS TO THE AIRPORTS BOARD FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM WITH THE EXPIRATION DATE OF FEBRUARY 2027.

Items Originating from the Public Facilities and Safety Committee

5. REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN GLOVER TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM WITH THE EXPIRATION DATE OF FEBRUARY 2029.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

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